

## **REMARKS**

The Assignee respectfully requests entry of the above preliminary claim amendments. The Assignee respectfully submits that the amended claims are in condition for allowance.

## **Excess Claim Fees**

This preliminary amendment includes a check for \$122. Claims 55 and 56 have been cancelled, and claims 57-62 have been added. An additional fee of \$172 is required for new independent claims 57 and 59. The addition of claims 57-62 also requires a \$72 excess claim fee ( $$18 \times 6 = $114$ ). A total excess claim fee of \$186 is thus required.

If any questions arise, the Office is requested to contact the undersigned at (919) 387-6907 or <u>scott@scottzimmerman.com</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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The PTO did not receive the following listed Items(s) A Check Fox